

ACCESS FOR ALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

July 12, 2018

Kacy Kostiuik, Chair

Ms. Kacy Kostiuik, TPB member and Councilmember from the City of Takoma Park, MD is the chair of the Access for All Advisory Committee (AFA). The AFA met via webinar on July 12, 2018. The AFA advises the TPB on transportation issues and services important to low-income communities, minority communities, people with limited-English skills, people with disabilities, and older adults.

REVIEW OF DRAFT COORDINATED HUMAN SERVICE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

The purpose of the AFA webinar was to review the draft Coordinated Plan document which reflects the AFA's input to date on unmet transportation needs, strategies and priority projects. The Coordinated Plan guides the implementation of FTA's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities grant program and must be updated every four years. The TPB last adopted an update in 2014. At the webinar, Ms. Lynn Winchell-Mendy and Ms. Wendy Klancher of the TPB staff presented an overview of the draft plan document, including the competitive selection process for Enhanced Mobility grants.

The draft Coordinated Plan can be found here: www.mwcog.org/events/2018/07/12/tpb-access-for-all-advisory-committee--webinar-afa/. AFA members have been asked to provide comments by July 27.

The Coordinated Plan is scheduled to be released for public comment in early October, presented to the TPB in October and adopted by the TPB in November. TPB's next solicitation for Enhanced Mobility grants will begin in August 2019 and approximately \$3 million in federal funds are expected to be available.